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MUDA, a 'realty' check

- CITB and MUDA allot just 50,000 sites in over 50 years
- Private developers distribute 70,000 sites in just 20 years

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, Mar.3- Even as the number of site applicants is rising by the year, with the number close to 1 lakh so far, it has been found in a reality check that the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), previously known as City Improvement Trust Board (CITB), has distributed just 50,445 sites in over five decades.

Mysuru, known as a pensioner's paradise, is becoming a popular destination for people from all walks of life to settle down due to its favourable climate and better infrastructure. Hence, the demand for sites in the city is growing by the day and the MUDA is under severe pressure to form layouts and allot sites to applicants at an affordable price. But owing to various reasons, the MUDA has failed to live up to its reputation as the trusted Government body for allotment of sites to needy applicants.

Out of the 50,445 sites distributed so far by MUDA, including the erstwhile CITB, 13,831 sites are of 20'x30' dimension,100 sites are of 25'x30' dimension,14,953 are of 30'x40' dimension,12,004 are of 40'x60' dimension, 2,993 are of 50'x80' dimension,101 are of 60'x90' dimension and 9 are of 80'x120' dimension. Of the allotted sites, 26,147 sites have remained vacant for years.

The erstwhile CITB had formed 23 extensions in the city between 1967-68 and 1988 and allotted 6,434 sites. In the years from 1967-68 to 1980, CITB had formed New Bamboo Bazaar, South of Jayanagar, South-East of Mahadevapura, North-East of Mahadevapura, Brindavan Extension, Gokulam Second Stage (total 632 sites), Saraswathipuram (398 sites), Metagalli, Kumbarakoppal, East of Karanji Kere, area near German Press (total 936 sites), Gokulam Third Stage (568 sites), Bannimantap (198 sites) and Jayanagar E, F and H Blocks (644 sites) residential Layouts.

From 1980 to 1988, the CITB had formed Metagalli Coffee Curing Works Colony, Bannimantap (total 240 sites), Jayanagar M Block, Old Kesare (total 653 sites), Nachanahallipalya, Kesare Third Stage, Alanahalli (total 1,527 sites) and Vijayanagar First Stage (638 sites) Layouts. With the formation of 23 Layouts, the CITB had distributed a total of 6,434 sites.

(See MUDA on page 8)

WORLD HEARING DAY

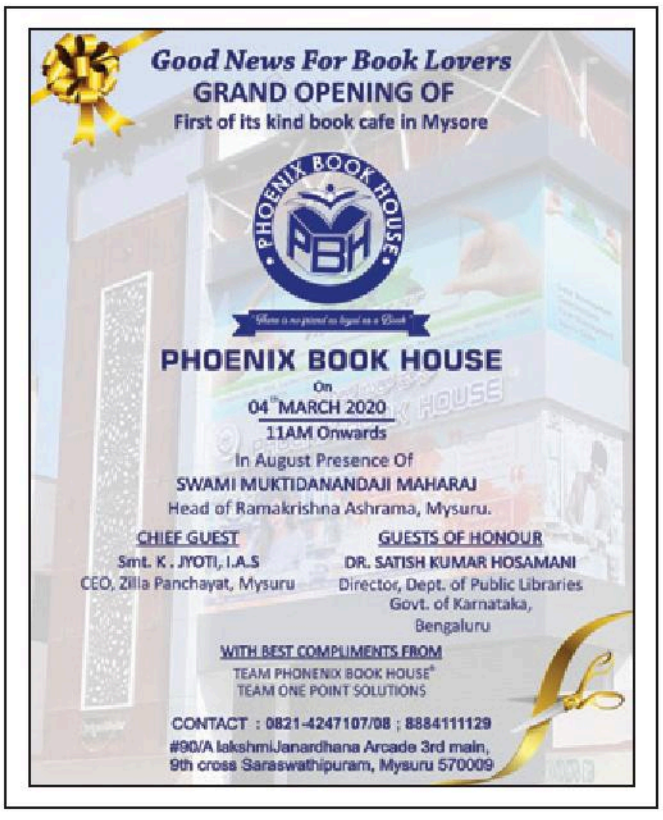
Actress Amulya inaugurates hearing screening camp for new-born babies

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (RK,PM&SD)- Marking World Hearing Day, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, had organised a free hearing screening camp for new-born babies at Cheluvamba Hospital here this morning.

Leading Kannada actress Amulya Jagadish inaugurated the camp for new-born infants at the hospital while the Audiologists conducted otoacoustic emission (OAE) test using the neonatal hearing screening device to screen the neonates. OAE test is a fast, reliable and inexpensive test to detect hearing loss in children.

World Hearing Day is celebrated on the 3rd of March every year as global hearing awareness day.

(See HEARING DAY on page 9)



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Care during *second childhood*

Traditionally, an *Ashrama* was perceived as a spiritual hermitage or monastery in the sub-continent, of which present territory of India is but a part. The now-out-of-favour joint family, comprising at least three generations in such a typical family hosted three *ashramas* namely *Brahmacharya, Grihasta* and *Vanaprastha.* The fourth *Ashrama,* described by the land's scholars of yore, namely *Sanyasa* was marked by renunciation of worldly possessions and desires, the added features being life in a hermitage, away from the family. Rishis presided over their respective *Ashramas,* overseeing the comfort of inmates and spiritual pursuits. Its modern *avatar* namely *Vruddhashrama,* euphemism for *old-age homes,* emerging in the country decades ago as selfless service in the matter of caring of the aged inmates has got transformed into a rewarding enterprise, the inmates having to pay the prescribed charges, virtually as paying guests. The change over continues to be an urban happening, the rural folk yet to enter the system that is growing in rapid strides in cities of all descriptions, including Mysuru, a tier-2 city so far.

The factors triggering the process of physically delinking elderly members of the family are explained away in terms of compulsions of urban life, pushing under the veils the other factors of duty of the younger generation to the seniors in caring for them, forsaking filial relations, throwing to winds the sense of gratefulness, pursuit of self-interest, disregard to compassion towards the elderly in the evening of their life and so on.

In many countries of the Western world, the social security system to which the citizens are required to make a token lifelong monetary contribution seems to be working reasonably well, freeing the beneficiaries from worry of depending on their children. Given the fact that nearly 95 percent of wage-earning population of the country are in unorganised sector and a part of the rest covered by pension, millions of the country's elderly have nowhere to look for their security and minimum comforts in life. Only an infinitesimal fraction of the last mentioned section in the population have the wherewithal to meet the charges collected by most of the old-age homes, their numbers swelling each year in Bengaluru, with Mysuru following suit.

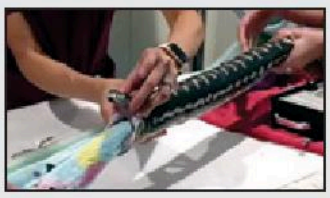
The State Government is learnt to be setting up a *dedicated* institute for geriatric care to address old age-related issues. The measure may help to throw more light on the plight of the elderly, but their needs are much more than what the medical institution can offer. The senior citizens shall feel immensely grateful if *Ashramas* of the kind rishis of yore established take birth in the country. State Government may play its role in realising that dream of *the second childhood.* How about the country's high networth individuals (HNWIs)?

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Depression can be a hidden killer because many get depressed without knowing why. It is not only circumstances which create depression. For a serene life, we have to remain centred, regardless of the circumstance. A major calamity is obviously difficult to process only in this manner, but the truth is, we are all essentially greater than every circumstance. There might be a flaw inside us which allows this condition to germinate or enter, in non-clinical cases of depression. Our nature is like a jigsaw puzzle where the pieces do not fit easily. Its alignment not only has the potential to help one overcome depression but also helps one overcome the whole gamut of pain and suffering. Sometimes, depression can arise through physical fatigue; then the obvious solution is to take rest. Although there are more covert reasons for fatigue itself, basically, when one takes rest, the problem is considerably reduced. But one has to plunge very deep inside to find the root cause of depression inside oneself despite there not being a medical reason. — *James Anderson in The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Vets pull something from snake and keep pulling



Sydney: A pet snake in Australia needed some emergency care after it swallowed an entire beach towel earlier this month.

A video posted on social media by Sydney's Small Animal Specialist Hospital showed how vets saved the pet, named Monty. The 10-foot, 18-year-old female jungle carpet python was given anesthesia and scanned to find the towel, the organization wrote on Facebook.

Dr. Olivia Clarke of the hospital's avian and exotics department then sent forceps in through an endoscope to grab the towel and pull it.

"Monty was discharged from hospital the same day and her owner reports she is back to her happy, hungry self," the hospital wrote on Facebook.

Both snake and towel are now doing well.

Airport introduces canine comfort room complete with pole

Tokyo: Osaka's Itami airport is setting up a toilet area for travelling dogs, complete with a pole for them to cock a leg on.

The toilet, in a fenced-off yard outside the terminal, will also have a shower and water bowls, operator Kansai Airports

said. The "pee pole" will flush.

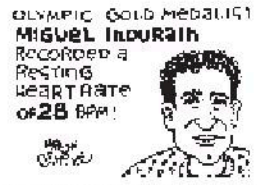
Designed to encourage dogs to relieve themselves before boarding domestic flights, it will be the first such canine comfort

facility at a Japanese airport.

Service dogs are permitted to use disabled-accessible toilets in the terminal but the mess must be cleaned up.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How many times does human heart beat in a minute?



The average human heart beats about 70 times per minute. If you have an exceptionally low heart rate, you have bradycardia. If your heart beats exceptionally fast, you have tachycardia.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Mar.3 - The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Philosophy to **E. Siddaraju** for his thesis 'Dr. B.R. Ambedkarravara Mele Boudhadharmada Prabhava - Ondu Tathvika Adhyayana' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M. Vijayalakshmi.

B. Usha has been awarded Ph.D in English by the UoM for her thesis 'Rethinking Partition: Gender, Nation and Memory in Select Novels by Women Writers' [Guide: Dr. K. Yeshoda Nanjappa].

C.B. Rajeswari has been awarded Ph.D in Sociology by the Karnataka State Open University, Mysuru, for her thesis 'Feminization of Poverty: Unorganized Women Workers in an Urban Setting' [Guide: Dr. M.H. Krishnappa].

K.M. Anil Kumar has been awarded Ph.D in Environmental Science by JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, Mysuru, for his thesis 'Extraction and Demonstration of Bioactive Compounds from Selected Endemic Plant Species in Western Ghats, Shimoga region' [Guide: Dr. H.P. Shivaraju].

Vishishtta Nagaraj has been awarded Ph.D in Environmental Engineering by the Visvesaraya Technological University of Belagavi for her thesis 'Advance Ground Water Treatment Technology for Removal of Hardness, Fluoride and Nitrate' submitted under the guidance of Dr. B. Manoj Kumar.

S. Raghu has been awarded Ph.D in Industrial and Production Engineering by the Visvesaraya Technological University, Belagavi, for his thesis 'Synthesis of Aluminium Based Composites and Effect of Various Sizes of TiO2 Nano-Particles on Mechanical and Tribological Properties' submitted under the guidance of Dr. H.M. Nanjundaswamy.

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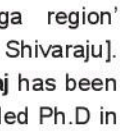


- ***Aloe Vera plant usually grows to a height of about 12 to 16 inches. It has thick and fleshy leaves with sharp edges but does not have a stem. Long leaves are mainly in triangular fashion inside which contains the aloe vera gel. It grows in sandy soil in a sunny location though need to be watered on a regular basis. Aloe Vera is useful to hair to remove dandruff and the itchy effect. Though they are essential in cosmetic products, they are equally important to the food industry.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A man is reading his newspaper and says to his wife: "Michelle, look. Here is an article about how women use about twice as many words per day as men do." The wife responds: *That's because we have to tell you everything twice!!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 72.58
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 92.75
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.76
1 Euro	= Rs. 80.86

VOICE OF THE READER

Increase frequency of Mysuru-Nizamuddin Swarnajayanthi Express

Sir,

The train number 12781/ 12782 Mysuru-H.Nizamuddin Swarnajayanti Express is the only train from Mysuru to connect New Delhi through Hubballi, Dharwad, Belagavi, Pune, Bhopal and Agra. The train runs via Mysuru-Hassan-Arsikere section but only on a weekly basis leaving every Friday from Mysuru.

As there is no facility of a daily service connectivity to New Delhi from Mysuru otherwise, there is now a need to increase the train's frequency by upto two or three days a week. The train has not witnessed much changes related to its increase in frequency and has neither been augmented with a pairing rake to run on additional days otherwise.

As the train runs via Mysuru-Hassan-Arsikere section there is an urgent need to run an additional service apart from Fridays from Mysuru. This will highly benefit the regular passengers of Mysuru-Arsikere-Hassan section bound towards New Delhi. Hence, South Western Railway authorities at Mysuru Division are requested to increase the frequency of the train number 12781/12782 Mysuru-H.Nizamuddin Swarnajayanthi Express by augmenting an additional or pairing rake to the train and thus operate it as a regular bi-weekly or tri-weekly service from Mysuru.

—Varun Dambal
on e-mail

Bengaluru
22.2.2020

Deadline for linking PAN with Aadhaar is Mar. 31

New Delhi, Mar. 3 (Agencies)- You may face double trouble if you fail to link your Aadhaar with PAN by the end of this month. First, your PAN will become inoperative and second, you may be fined Rs. 10,000 if you use an inoperative PAN.

The Income Tax Department has said that PAN card holders may face penal action under the Income Tax Act if they fail to link it with Aadhaar before the deadline. Any person found using cancelled PAN card, could be fined up to Rs. 10,000 under Section 272B of the Income Tax Act.

Further, if you do not link your PAN with Aadhaar by Mar. 31, then your PAN will become inoperative from April 1. Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), through a Feb. 13, 2020 notification, had said that a PAN not linked with Aadhaar by March 31, 2020 will become inoperative.

An individual having an inoperative PAN may face trouble in several financial transactions like banking transactions, buying or selling of a property, investments in stocks and mutual funds. A non-operative PAN is the same as not having a PAN.

However, your inoperative PAN will become operative once again when you link it with Aadhaar.

The Tax Department has already extended the linking deadline twice in September and December last year.

MAHAN holds workshop on "Importance of Communication in Healthcare"

Mysuru, Mar. 3- MAHAN, the Mysore Association of Hospitals, Nursing Homes and Diagnostic Centres, in association with Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru and Atharva Lifeskill Foundation, Mysuru, conducted a workshop on "Importance of Communication in Healthcare" for the staff of its member institutions on Mar. 1.

MAHAN was established in 2015 with the specific purpose of providing a platform for all the healthcare providers to jointly strive for a healthy society.

This was the first academic programme conducted by the MAHAN in 2020.

Bharateesh Reddy, Dr. B.N. Rajeev, Dr. N. Vijay Cheluvaraj, Dr. H.R. Abhijith, Dr. R. Basavaraju, K.S. Gururaj and Dr. Anjali Arun were present at the programme conducted in the premises of Apollo BGS Hospitals with speakers from various backgrounds participating.

MAHAN aims to conduct such trainings at regular intervals to equip the member institutions in ensuring better health for all, according to a press release.

Borewell water supply in SBM Colony

Sir,

All these days SBM Colony, Sriramapura residents were supplied with either Kabini water or Cauvery water, but from the past ten days, taste of water started changing and steel vessels losing the sheen. When the water quality in TDS was checked with the concerned instrument, it showed 260 to 265 as against normal 160 (approx) which puzzled the residents.

When the matter was brought to the notice of the Water Works Engineer of the area, he confirmed that borewell water is being supplied to some areas in SBM Colony for a partial period in the day in addition to Kabini water, the reasons behind for this is not known.

When the water availability in KRS is in surplus, what is the difficulty in them supplying Cauvery or Kabini water to the SBM Colony? Why this borewell water is suddenly supplied, probably have they diverted Cauvery water to some influential areas thus depriving the residents of SBM Colony the good quality drinking water.

Already some of the residents are suffering from diseases like jaundice or throat infection and continuous cough etc. Will the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner look into the matter and see that Cauvery or Kabini water is restored to the residents of SBM Colony at the earliest ?

—K.V. Ramanath

Srirampura II Stage
25.2.2020

AIISH AISIRI series on Akashvani

Mysuru, Mar. 3- All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, is a premier institute catering to the needs of Persons with Communication Disorders, functioning under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

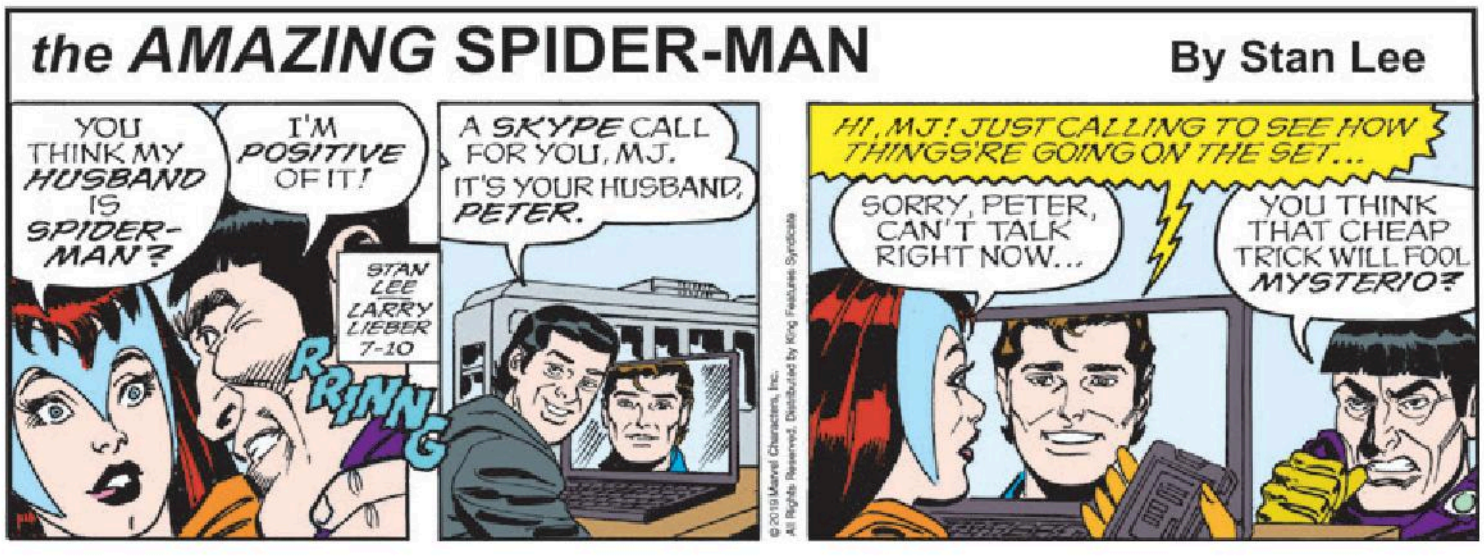
One of the primary objectives of the Institute is to educate the public regarding different communication disorders, preventive measures to be taken, measure of early identification facilities available for assessment and rehabilitation of different communication disorders.

More than 4 percent of the general population is known to suffer from various communication disorders under hearing loss, ear infections, tinnitus, long speech due to stroke, delayed speech development, stuttering, mispronunciations, voice problem, etc. Keeping this in mind, the Institute aims to educate the public about their disorder through a series of talks by experts, Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists.

In collaboration with Akashvani, a 13-week series programme titled **AIISH AISIRI** will be broadcast every Sunday at 9 am starting from Mar.8.

The experts will talk for 20 minutes about various speech, language and hearing disorder, their prevalence and incidence, assessment procedures and the treatment available.

The citizens are requested to make best use of the information being given and also join hands in spreading awareness of communication disorders.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NEWS BRIEFS

Conference on HR Analytics

A one-day Conference on 'HR Analytics - The next must skill for any HRIR Professional' will be held on Mar. 20 from 9.30 am at Hotel Rio Meridian, near Highway Circle, Bannimantap. Dr. N. Muthukumar, Immediate Past Chairman, CII Karnataka, will inaugurate and deliver the keynote address. For details and registration contact Mob: 70220- 36998 or 99808-02873.

ZP Special Meeting postponed

The Special Meeting, convened by Zilla Panchayat (ZP) in connection with the election of the Members to various Standing Committees, which was scheduled to be held on Mar. 2 has been postponed. The meeting will now be held on Mar. 7 at 11 am at ZP auditorium in city. ZP President Parimala Shyam will preside.

Seminar on 'Bank Audit'

Mysuru Branch of SIRC (Southern Indian Region Council), under the aegis of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, has organised a seminar on 'Bank Audit' on Mar. 5 from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm at KGV Iyer Memorial Conference Hall, ICAI Bhawan, CA Site No. 2, Bank Employees Colony, Bogadi in city. C.V. Manjunatha, DGM & Zonal Head, Corporation Bank, Mysuru, will be the chief guest. CAs Premanath Degala, Hyderabad and A.U. Prakash, Mysuru, will speak on the seminar subject. SIRC Mysuru Chairman S.A. Vasudeva Rao will welcome and Vice-Chairman M.G. Kumara will propose a vote of thanks. For details, call M.G. Kumara on Mob: 99457-52412 or 94494-35345, according to a press release from SIRC Mysuru Branch.

Obituary

Chendrimada Padma Uthappa

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Chendrimada Padma Uthappa (Gummattira), a resident of Temple Road in Vijayashreepura passed away yesterday in city. She was 84.

She leaves behind one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed this afternoon at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage, according to family sources.

Students discuss Cybercrime at Model UN Conference

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (MTY&SD)- School of Law, University of Mysore (UoM), Manasagangotri in city had organised a one-day International Model United Nations Conference on 'Impact of Cybercrimes on International Peace and Security' at Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences (BIMS) auditorium, Manasagangothri yesterday.

The model UN conference had 175 student delegates to symbolically represent members of the United Nations (UN) to discuss the issue of cyber crime.

Speaking after inaugurating the conference, former Vice-Chancellor of Kuvempu University, Shivamogga, Prof. P. Venkataramaiah said, "Cyber crime has no borders and is evolving at a fast pace. Perpetrators of cybercrime are often located in different regions and its effects are felt in societies all around the world. In recent years, the seriousness of this issue has reached a new height."

Kuvempu University former Vice-Chancellor Prof. P. Venkataramaiah lighting the lamp to inaugurate the Model UN Conference on 'Impact of Cybercrimes on International Peace and Security,' held at Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences (BIMS) auditorium, Manasagangothri, here yesterday, as (from left) NLSIU Professor Dr. M.K. Ramesh, Conference Secretary General Sayed Qudrat Hashimy, Regional Director of Indian Council for Cultural Relations P. Venugopal, and UoM School of Law Director Prof. C. Basavaraju look on.

"Students from different parts of the world are attending this model UN Conference. Universities should place emphasis on skill development programmes, leadership qualities and human values. Students should not only excel in their academic subjects but also instil communication and interpersonal skills," he said.

International Law Expert and Professor at National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru Dr. M.K. Ramesh who addressed the gathering said, "Today, cyber attacks are not limited to any particular region of the world. Perpetrators sitting in one country often attack victims in other countries. Now, any bank account can be looted and any website can be hacked by a cyber criminal. We need to discuss and find a solution to this serious issue."

Regional Director of Indian Council for Cultural Relations, Bengaluru, P. Venugopal was the chief guest. UoM School of Law Director Prof. C. Basavaraju presided. Model Conference Secretary General Sayed Qudrat Hashimy and others were present.

Mystery over a decomposed body found five months ago solved

Deceased's wife, paramour among three arrested

Mandya, Mar. 3 (Nagaiah&KS)- The mystery over a decomposed body found five months ago has been solved with the arrest of three persons including the wife of the deceased and her paramour by Basaralu Police.

The arrested are 26-year-old Shylaja, wife of deceased Javaregowda from Sollepura in Kikkeri hobli, Shylaja's paramour 25-year-old Harish and 35-year-old Anand.

Details: On Sept. 25, 2019, an unidentified decomposed body of a man was found in Hemavathi Canal near Hanuganahalli village in Basaralu Police limits and the Police, who had registered a case of unnatural death, had begun their investigation.

Though the body was highly decomposed, the Police had found the names 'Shylaja' and 'Ranga' tattooed on the right hand and 'Raghu' on the left hand.

Based on the tattoos, SP Parashuram had formed a team consisting Mandya Rural Circle Inspector N.V. Mahesh, Basaralu Sub-Inspector Jayagowri and staff Anil Kumar, Raju, Shivaramu, Girish, Krishnakumar and Sumalatha to be supervised by ASP Dr. V.J. Shobharani and DySP Naveen Kumar to investigate.

The Police team had distributed handbills containing the details of the deceased including the photos of the tattoos and clothes he was wearing to the villagers living on the river banks.

On Oct. 2, 2019, one Rangappa of Sollepura village identified the clothes and tattoos to be that of his son Javaregowda. After establishing the identity of the decomposed body, Shylaja had lodged a missing complaint at Kikkeri Police Station.

Though Shylaja's husband had gone missing since a few days, she had not lodged a missing complaint and she used to tell others that her husband had gone out of station whenever someone asked her about him, which led to suspicion. The Police then began to observe Shylaja's movements.

But on Feb. 27, 2020, deceased Javaregowda's father Rangappa, who came to the Police Station, informed the Police that his daughter-in-law (Shylaja) was having an illicit relationship with one Harish. Based on the information provided by Rangappa, the Police took Shylaja into custody on Feb. 29.

During interrogation, Shylaja is said to have confessed of murdering her husband Javaregowda with help from Harish and Anand on Sept.18, 2019 by strangulating him and later throwing the dead body into the canal. She also confessed to the Police that she, along with Harish, had murdered Javaregowda for opposing their illicit relationship and had taken the help of Anand.

Police produced the accused before a Court, which remanded them to judicial custody.

Youth swept away while washing bullock cart at Lokapavani River

Srirangapatna, Mar. 3 (Vinay Karekura&KS)- A 21-year-youth was swept away while washing his bullocks and cart at Lokapavani River at Baburayanakoppal in Srirangapatna taluk yesterday. Another youth, who was with him, swam towards safety.

Somashekar

The youth, who was swept away, is Somashekar, son of lawyer Sheshadri and Hema couple. While the youth, who swam for safety is Shivu, son of Somashekar's Uncle.

Details: Yesterday afternoon, Somashekar, who had unloaded red mud for his brick klin located next to Lokapavani river, took Shivu along with him to wash his bullock cart in the river.

Somashekar got his cart and bullocks into the river near the bridge and since it had rained heavily in Srirangapatna taluk and surrounding places, there was heavy inflow of water in the river. As soon as Somashekar and Shivu got the cart along with the bullocks into the river, everyone including the cart and bullocks were swept away.

But the bullocks somehow managed to free themselves from the cart and reached the shore. Even Shivu managed to swim back to the shore but Somashekar was swept way and disappeared after being swept away to a distance.

The cart was found about 700 mts away and the villagers launched a search for Somashekar, but in vain. They later informed the Fire and Emergency Services personnel and Srirangapatna Town Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted a search to trace Somashekar with the help of local fishermen but were unsuccesful.

The search operation was suspended in the evening as it had become dark and was resumed this morning. The body was fished out at 1 pm near Arakere about 10 kms from the drowning spot.

City buses to stop at Hardinge Circle

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (SBD&DM)- The city Bus stop facility at Hardinge Circle (Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle) in the heart of the city, which was withdrawn by the Traffic Police a couple of days ago due to several traffic constraints, has resumed with effect from Monday.

Accordingly, city buses coming from Basaveshwara Circle (Pathashala Signal), B.N Road and other directions, will stop at Hardinge Circle to facilitate alighting/boarding.

The Traffic Police, citing several traffic issues, had banned stopping of buses at the Circle, following which commuters exerted pressure on KSRTC Authorities to stop buses at the Circle as it was most convenient for them.

Following appeals from the KSRTC and members of the public, the Traffic Police have withdrawn the ban on bus stop, which has come as a big relief to city bus commuters as well as commuters travelling to different destinations such as T. Narasipur, Nanjangud, Kollegal, Chamarajanagar, etc.

Rev. Fr. Albuquerque passes away

- Funeral mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral in city on Mar. 4 at 10 am
- Body to be shifted to Mangaluru and funeral service at St. Francis Xavier's Church tomorrow evening

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Rev. Fr. William Albuquerque (62), a priest of the Diocese of Mysore, passed away in the early hours of today due to cardiac arrest. He had served the Diocese for the last 35 years.

He leaves behind two brothers and two sisters, one of whom is Sr. Hilda, an Ursuline nun, presently serving in Mumbai.

The mortal remains of Fr. Albuquerque will be kept for public homage at St. Mary's Minor Seminary in Bannimantap today from 4 pm. The funeral mass will be held at St. Joseph's Cathedral in city on Mar. 4 at 10 am. Later the body will be shifted to Mangaluru and the funeral service will be held at St. Francis Xavier's Church, Ferar, his native Parish, at around 5.30 pm.

Fr. Albuquerque

Profile: Rev. Fr. William Albuquerque was born on Sept.14, 1958 at Manjakatte, South Canara, to late Pascal Albuquerque and Dulcine Lobo. After completing his schooling in Mangaluru, he joined St. Mary's Seminary for priestly studies. Completing his training at St. Peter's Seminary, Bengaluru, he was ordained priest for the Diocese of Mysore on May 14, 1985 by Most Rev. Dr. Basil D'Souza, Bishop of Mangalore at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Mysuru.

Rev. Fr. Albuquerque had served as Assistant Parish Priest at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Vice-Rector at St. Mary's Seminary, Lecturer in Christianity at St. Philomena's College, Parish Priest at St. Joseph's Church, Siddapur, Warden at St. Philomena's Boy's Home, Parish Priest at John the Baptist Church, Palahalli, Fathima Church, Kedumullur, Immaculate Conception Church, Kudlur, Holy Rosary Church, Hattihole. Presently, he was socius at St. Antony's Church, Gayathripuram.

He was a soft spoken gentle priest, always available to the people wherever he worked. He took an active role in the rehabilitation of the flood victims at Hattihole, during 2018 floods in Kodagu.

Condoled

Most Rev. Dr. K.A. William, the Bishop of Mysore, Most Rev. Dr. Thomas Antony Vazhapilly, Bishop Emeritus, all the clergy and the religious of the Diocese of Mysore and his close relatives have condoled his death.

Foundation stone laid for

Dalit Museum, Library and Documentation Centre at University of Mysore

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Former Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, on Monday, laid the foundation stone for a Library, Museum and Dalit Documentation Centre at the University of Mysore's (UoM) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre at Manasagangothri here. The Centre will house and conserve various reports on Reservations, Commissions, Dalit movements, socio-economic and political empowerment of Dalits. It will also document those who dedicated their lives to Dalit movements and struggles.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Mahadevappa blamed liberalisation and privatisation for the gradual decline of the social justice system in our country. Claiming that economy, employment and rural development had taken a beating in recent years, he alleged that people who don't know history are now in a race to create a history of destruction.

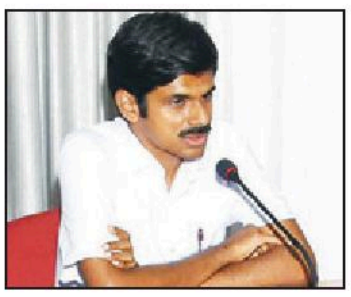
Expressing concern that the country is fast losing Gandhian and Dr. Ambedkar ideals, he alleged that most of the media houses are acting under the influence of corporates. He further said that youth can play a key role in saving democracy, at a time when it is facing threat from all quarters.

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre Director Prof. J. Somasekhar said that the building is coming up at a cost of Rs. 4 crore. The building will have ground plus two floors. The Social Welfare Department has sanctioned Rs. 3 crore and the University and the Government will be appealed for releasing the remaining one crore, he said.

Chamarajanagar's Nalanda Buddha Vihar's Banthe Bodhidatta, UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa, Social Welfare Department Joint Director N. Muniraju and others were present.

DC instructs officials

to take measures to avert drinking water crisis during summer



DC Abhiram G. Sankar

Mysuru, Mar.3- With the summer season hardly a few days away, Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar directed the officials to take appropriate measures to ensure that there are no drinking water problems in the district during summer.

Presiding over a meeting of Taluk-level officials at his office here recently, Sankar asked the officials to identify trouble spots and take necessary measures for addressing drinking water issues in rural areas.

Noting that the district received good rainfall in last season, he said that Groundwater levels have risen enormously in the district, thanks to bountiful rains. Pointing out that measures have to be taken for supplying water through borewells, wherever there is shortage of drinking water, the DC said that officials have the liberty to hire private borewells in villages prone to water crisis.

Asking the officials to create awareness among villagers on preventing outbreak of vector-borne diseases, the DC directed the Health Department officials to set up a helpline for the benefit of villagers.

ADC B.R. Poornima, ZP CEO K. Jyothi, Asst. Commissioner Dr. Venkataraju, DDPI Panduranga, DHO Dr. Venkatesh and other officials were present.

The Showman and his Trump Card

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

The Greatest Show on Earth made by Cecil B. DeMille 58 years ago was imaginary, meant to entertain filmgoers. The Greatest Show on Earth 2020 staged by Narendra Modi last week was real, meant to impress one man. It was clear that Donald Trump had never seen such an extravaganza in his eventful life. He was so overwhelmed that in Gandhiji's Sabarmati Ashram he ignored the Mahatma and recorded, in the visitors' book, his appreciation for "my great friend Prime Minister Modi."

(Those who paid attention to the lines Trump scribbled in the book would have noticed the peculiarity of his handwriting. He writes in a mix of capital and lower-case letters. The spacing between words and between lines goes irrational in unexpected ways. When he writes T the crossbar on top goes wild, affecting neighbouring words and lines. Overall the handwriting suggests a man unfamiliar with putting pen to paper.)

Now that the hurly burly is done and the battle is lost or won, the question props up: What was it all about? Presidents and Prime Ministers go on State visits all the time. But no country ignores its national priorities to focus wholly on the glorification of a visiting VIP. India turned the Trump visit into a national festival. This was all the more anomalistic because, in the midst of the festivities, Delhi exploded in communal violence. For three days the Prime Minister showed no sign of being aware of it. Nothing was heard from the Home Minister either, perhaps because he, too, was celebrating Trump. And religion went on a mad killing spree.

Preparations for the "celebration" were typically lopsided. The first thing the authorities did was to erect a wall that would hide the slums of Ahmedabad. It was a revelation to many that Ahmedabad had so many slums despite 12 years of rule by the dynamic Chief Minister Shri Modiji. TV cameras revealed the heartless side of this VIP culture. Bulldozers wrecked pushcarts laden with vegetables, destroying the livelihood of poor citizens. Couldn't they have been helped to relocate elsewhere for a few hours?

Everything about the reception to Trump was overstated, overplayed, overdone. Trump was told that 10 million people would assemble to welcome him. The population of Washington DC is 7 lakh. In the event, about a lakh plus people were collected from different regions and brought by the Government to Ahmedabad to fill the stadium. They all wore State-supplied white caps, indicating the official role in organising them.

The State Government shared with the BJP's Gujarat unit the responsibility to fill the roadsides with crowds for the much publicised road show from the airport to the Motera Stadium. The State's loyal Chief Minister Vijay Rupani said "entire Gujarat speaks in one voice, Namaste Trump!" But the road show turned out to be a damp squib. There were only a few knots of people in a few places. What replaced the people was the unwieldy, unnecessarily large security squads and their vehicles.

With Trump's own imported army and trademark vehicles adding to the Indian contingents, there were more uniformed personnel than lay people throughout the visit.

The effort to showcase "Indian culture" to these visiting dignitaries was another sad spectacle. Scores of dancers and musicians were made to line up when the dignitary deplaned and walked towards his car. He had time only to show a smile of courtesy lasting a few seconds. For that, in Agra for example, 250 artistes performed near the Trump aircraft. Along the route to the Taj, 3,000 artistes stood at 21 designated points presenting Brij, Awadh and other local dance forms. These artistes would have rehearsed for long to perform as the VIPs drove past. Through the tinted security windows of the limousines the VIPs may or may not have caught a glimpse of the dancers. What a meaningless routine.

Trump spent a total of three hours in Ahmedabad. For that the Gujarat Government spent Rs. 85 crore. What was it all about? A kind of answer is: Politics. Gujaratis form a big chunk of Indian American Population. Traditionally supporters of the Democratic Party, they have been feeling Modi's pressure to turn into Republicans. Remember his Houston slogan: *Abki baar Trump Sarkar.* Trump has political interest in the Modi bonhomie. Modi's interest is less political. He is driven by his magnificent obsession with drama and spectacle. Modi is fundamentally a showman. The Trump visit was one more occasion for him to play his trump card and put on a show no one would forget.

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What's the most important use for cowhide?
IT KEEPS THE COW TOGETHER!
Who is bigger, Mrs Bigger or her baby?
Her baby is a little bigger!
How does a pair of pants feel after being ironed?
DEPRESSED
SPOT THE DIFF
Of all the cartoon drawings in the square below, one is slightly different. Can you spot it?
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Answer: Antennae of 'father' snail is missing in number 6.

World Wildlife Day celebrated in city

Blood donation camp marks CF Manikandan's second death anniversary

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (MTY&KS)- World Wildlife Day-2020 was observed with the theme 'Sustaining all life on Earth,' which includes all animal and plant species as well as the livelihoods of people living closest to nature, at a programme organised by the Forest Department at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram here this morning.

The World Wildlife Day 2020 theme is aimed at ensuring sustainable use of resources and conservation of land and groundwater to stop biodiversity loss. World Wildlife Day is also observed to celebrate the varied forms of wild fauna and flora on the planet and to raise awareness regarding the multiple benefits that their conservation provides to people.

The day also aims to encourage people to step up their fight against poaching and other wildlife crimes, which results in many species getting extinct leading to wide-ranging economic, environmental and social impacts.

Tributes were also paid to late Conservator of Forests (CF) Manigandan, former Director of Nagarahole National Park, who was killed by an elephant on Mar. 3, 2018. Floral tributes were offered to the portrait of late Manigandan by the Forest Department officials.

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (APCCF) Jagath Ram offering floral tribute to a portrait of late CF Manikandan at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram this morning, during the programme organised to mark World Wildlife Day-2020 and second death anniversary of Manikandan. Others seen are Apollo BGS Hospitals Vice-President Bharateesh Reddy, CCF (Mysuru Division) T. Heeralal and DCF Deep J. Contractor (extreme right).

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) - Mysuru Division, T. Heeralal, said: "as we all believe Sun as God, we should also believe the martyrs from Forest Watchers to CF as Gods as they had laid down their lives for the protection and conservation of forests and wildlife. Their services should not be forgotten but should be remembered always, he added.

Continuing, Heeralal said that Manigandan was a 2001 IFS Officer, who had contributed a lot to the protection of forests and wildlife wherever he went and added that it was a tragedy that Manikandan was killed in an elephant attack.

Apollo BGS Hospitals Vice-President Bharateesh Reddy was the chief guest.

A voluntary blood donation camp in memory of late Manikandan was held on the occasion in which CF T. Heeralal donated blood along with others.

Earlier, Forest Guard Sanjay recited a poem titled 'Hasiru Sene' composed by him.

Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCFs) Alexander, Deep J. Contractor, Shivaraju, D. Venkatesh, Sridhar, Purushotham and Poovaiah, Range Forest Officers, Forest Watchers, Guards and others were present.

Sewage water flowing into Kukkarahalli Lake yet again

Officials of Mysore University visit lake

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (MTY&KS)- A large quantity of sewage water is flowing into the pristine Kukkarahalli Lake, maintained by the University of Mysore (UoM) through the Magic Box from Paduvarahalli side yet again threatening the flora and fauna of the Lake.

Following unseasonal rains on Sunday night and Monday morning, a large quantity of rain water mixed with sewage water is flowing into the Lake and the morning walkers at the Lake, who noticed it, have expressed concerns about it.

They said that the flow of sewage water to Kukkarahalli Lake was stopped completely about two to three years ago and alleged that it was the staff who allowed the flow of rain water mixed with polluted water into the Lake last year following depletion of water level at the Lake.

Meanwhile, officials of UoM, who visited the spot, assured of taking necessary steps to stop the flow of sewage water into the Lake.

It may be recalled that in July 2019, Kukkarahalli Lake was emitting froth like the Bellandur Lake in Bengaluru. The froth was seen at the borders of the Lake washing ashore and following the shocking development, samples were collected and sent to Laboratories for tests.

Sewage water in the pristine Kukkarahalli Lake following unseasonal rains on Sunday night and Monday morning.

Experts had often pointed out to a huge amount of sewage flow into the Lake due to the failure of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to manage the sewage of the city. They pinpoint that the ubiquity of washing machines and indiscriminate use of detergent by households have come together to choke the Kukkarahalli Lake, threatening the lives of aquatic, land and bird species that thrive in the Lake precincts.

CCF T. Heeralal donating blood at the voluntary blood donation camp organised in memory of late Manikandan at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram this morning.

Tiger, King Cobra die at Mysuru Zoo

They were brought from Pilikula Zoo, Mangaluru on Feb. 28

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (MTY&KS)- A King Cobra and a Tiger that were brought from Pilikula Biological Park in Mangaluru, under animal exchange programme on Feb.28, have died at the Zoo on Feb. 29 and Mar. 1 respectively.

The Tiger and the King Cobra were among the pair of tigers, Lesser Whistling Teal, Monitor Lizard and two pairs of King Cobra that were brought to the Zoo on Feb. 28 and kept in quarantine enclosures. While the King Cobra died on Feb.29, the tiger died on Mar. 1.

Post-mortem of the dead tiger and King Cobra revealed that the tiger had died of a heart attack and the King Cobra of liver problems, according to the press release from the Executive Director of the Zoo who has further stated that the organs of the Tiger and King Cobra would be sent to a laboratory for further verification.

City all set for II PU exam starting from tomorrow

A college staff writing hall ticket numbers for the II PUC exams which will start from tomorrow.

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (RK&DM)- With the Karnataka Second PUC Exam (2019-20) scheduled to commence from tomorrow across the State, the authorities have fully geared up for the smooth and incident-free conduct of the exam.

The exam will take place from Mar. 4 to Mar. 23 at 50 centres across the district, including 26 in the city alone. The exam will be held from 10.15 am to 1.30 pm on all dates of the schedule.

On Mar.4, the first day, the exam will be held for History, Physics and Basic Maths subjects.

A total of 35,004 students will be appearing for the exam in the district, with girls (17,738) outnumbering boys (17,266). The 35,004 students include 28,813 freshers, 4,668 repeaters and 1,523 privately registered ones. A total of 9,792 students from Arts stream, 11,650 from Science stream and 13,562 from Commerce stream have registered for the exam. Interestingly, Commerce stream has more number of students than Science and Arts streams. The exam will conclude with English paper on Mar.23.

The Department of Pre-University Education, which is conducting the exam, has taken all possible measures for smooth conduct of the exam, leaving no scope for any malpractices. CCTV cameras have been installed in all exam halls. Students and as well as the Invigilating staff are barred from carrying cell phones to the exam centres.

Also, prohibitory orders have been imposed in 200 metre radius of all exam centres from 6 am to 6 pm on all days of the exam. Photocopy and stationary shops in the vicinity of the exam centres have been ordered to close down.

The sealed Question paper bundles are kept in District Treasury amid tight Police security. The authorities have notified six routes in the city for on-time delivery of question papers to all the exam centres.

Last year (2019), about 28,000 students had appeared for the exam in Mysuru district and the district was placed 15th in exam results, recording a pass percentage of 65.73.

II PUC TIME TABLE

Code	Exam	Date
21	History	04-03-2020
33	Physics	04-03-2020
75	Basic Maths	04-03-2020
04	Tamil	05-03-2020
05	Telugu	05-03-2020
06	Malayalam	05-03-2020
07	Marathi	05-03-2020
11	Arabic	05-03-2020
12	French	05-03-2020
25	Karnatak Music	06-03-2020
26	Hindustani Music	06-03-2020
27	Business Studies	07-03-2020
28	Sociology	07-03-2020
34	Chemistry	07-03-2020
61	Information Technology (NSQF)	09-03-2020
62	Retail (NSQF)	09-03-2020
63	Automobile (NSQF)	09-03-2020
64	Health Care (NSQF)	09-03-2020
65	Beauty & Wellness (NSQF)	09-03-2020
08	Urdu	10-03-2020
16	Optional Kannada	11-03-2020
30	Accountancy	11-03-2020
35	Mathematics	11-03-2020
24	Geography	12-03-2020
52	Education	13-03-2020
32	Psychology	14-03-2020
40	Electronics	14-03-2020
41	Computer Science	14-03-2020
23	Logic	16-03-2020
37	Geology	16-03-2020
67	Home Science	16-03-2020
22	Economics	17-03-2020
36	Biology	17-03-2020
03	Hindi	18-03-2020
01	Kannada	19-03-2020
09	Sanskrit	20-03-2020
29	Political Science	21-03-2020
31	Statistics	21-03-2020
02	English	23-03-2020

Timings for all papers
10.15 am — 1.30 pm

MUDA, a 'realty' check

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After the CITB was renamed as MUDA in 1988, the Government Authority in 1989, formed Vijayanagar First and Second Stages, Kyathamaranahalli, Sathagalli, Devanur and Dattagalli (total 1,600 sites), Nachanahallipalya First Stage, Devanur Second Stage, Srirampura, Vijayanagar Third Stage and Hebbal (total 2,740 sites) in 1991; Dattagalli Third Stage, Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, Rajivnagar Second Stage, Srirampura Second Stage and Nachanahallipalya Second stage (total 12,044 sites) in 1994; Vijayanagar Fourth Stage and Sathagalli Second Stage (total 5,787 sites) in 1998; Hanchya-Sathagalli and Devanur Third Stage (total 6,990 sites) in 2001-02 and Vasanthnagar (1,720 sites), Lalbahadur Shastrinagar and Shantaveri Gopalagowda Nagar (total 3,690 sites), Lalitadrinagar (1,278 sites), Chamalapura in Nanjangud (61 sites), R.T. Nagar (1,760 sites) and Lalitadrinagar (541 sites) Layouts between 2002 and 2017.

According to MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaju, a total of 26,147 MUDA allotted sites have remained vacant, while 9,508 sites have remained unallotted in various extensions and Layouts, most of which are corner and stray sites, which MUDA has proposed to auction in the coming days.

Private Layouts dot city outskirts

Even as the Government Body MUDA is struggling to find land for formation of residential Layouts and allot sites to the applicants who are waiting for years, the Private Layouts have sprung up all around the city. Private Builders, Developers, Realtors and Housing Co-operative Societies have so far distributed over 70,000 sites around the city in the past 20 years, a whopping 20,000 sites more than what the erstwhile CITB and now MUDA have allotted in over 50 years.

Gnanaganga Housing Co-operative Society has distributed 12,000 sites in Mandakalli, Dhanagalli, Udbur, Kergalli and Nagarthahalli; Police Housing Co-operative Society has distributed 5,000 sites in Netajinagar, Vallabhbhai Patel Nagar and Lalitadripura; Telecom Employees Housing Society 15,000 sites in Belwadi, Yelwal, Nagavala and surrounding areas; JSS Housing Society 3,500 sites in Sathagalli, Koppalur, Lalitadripura and Varuna surroundings; Basaveshwara Housing Society 1,500 sites in Varuna and surrounding areas; Health Department Employees Housing Society over 2,500 sites at different locations in the outskirts of the city; Teachers Housing Society 1,250 sites in Sathagalli and surrounding areas; SBM Housing Society 1,500 sites in Bogadi and surrounding areas and Government Employees Housing Society has distributed over 1,000 sites in different areas surrounding the city.

Apart from these major Housing Co-operative Societies, several other Societies too are busily engaged in forming Layouts and distributing sites to their members.

With Private Layouts mushrooming in the city, the job of MUDA, which is supposed to form Layouts and allot sites to the aspirants at affordable prices, seems to have limited to just issuance of plan approvals, compliance of RERA (Real Estate Regulatory Authority) Act, Khata Registration and the like. Will the dreams of thousands of elderly site aspirants be realised in their life time?

Free eye check-up and cataract operation camp tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (KS)- Unity Islamic Trust and Sahara Islamia Trust, Mysuru, have jointly organised a free eye check-up and cataract operation camp tomorrow (Mar. 4) in city.

The camp will be held from 10.30 am onwards at Arafath Function Hall on Shivaji Road in N.R. Mohalla which will be inaugurated jointly by MLA Tanveer Sait, Mayor Tasneem Banu and former Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa.

K.R. Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. Nanjundaswamy, Resident Medical Officer Dr. Rajesh, HoD of K.R. Hospital Eye Hospital Dr. K. Satish, Eye Hospital Professor Dr. D.N. Prakash and Chief of Mobile Opthalmic Unit Dr. Chethan Kumar will be the chief guests.

Unity Charitable Trust President Noor Mohammed Merchant, Advocate Nagegowda, Syed Uman, Syed Abbas and Journalist K. Deepak will preside.

Hazrath Maulana Mohammed Ahmed Khan of Khateeb Shahi Masjid, Mysuru; Sri Gnanaprakasha Swamiji of Sri Uriling Peddi Mutt at Gandhinagar and Sri Kalyanasiri Bhanteji of Vishwa Maithry Buddha Vihar, Mysuru, will grace the occasion.

Hearing Day: Awareness rallies, screening camps

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AIISH, Mysuru, a premier institute for communication disorder under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, has taken the lead role in celebrating the Word Hearing Day in India.

As a routine, AIISH conducts Newborn Screening in 19 Hospitals in Mysuru and has additional 14 Newborn Hearing Screening Centres spread across the country at present. Through these efforts, more than 56,000 babies have been successfully screened for hearing in the last one year. The event held today aims for wide publicity among the public about the definite need for hearing screening for every new-born in India.

Census of 2011 reveals that nearly 19% of the population with disability is due to hearing impairment. However, hearing loss being a hidden disability parents fail to detect it early and initiate rehabilitation. It needs experts such as audiologists to detect hearing loss well within one month of age and parents should make every attempt to get their new-born baby tested for hearing abnormalities as it will extremely impact speech and language development.

Actress Amulya's husband Jagadish R. Chandra, AIISH Director Dr. M. Pushpavathi, District Health Officer Dr. R. Venkatesh, Dean and Director of MMC&RI Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj, District Audiologist Dr. Vineeta, District Health Education Officer Prakash, Cheluvamba Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. Pramila, Head of the Paediatric Department Dr. Sudha Rudrappa, one of the successful beneficiaries of AIISH Abdulla Moiddin and others were present.

JSS students cycle to create awareness

As part of the World Hearing Day, JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing had organised Cyclothon from JSS Institute premises, M.G. Road in city this morning. The event was held to create awareness about the effects of noise on hearing, hearing conservation and need for timely hearing evaluation.

The Cyclothon was flagged off by R. Mahesh, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Director (Medical Education Division). Over 100 students of JSS Institute participated in the event and peddled Trin Trin bicycles through Agrahara Circle, RTO Circle, Law Courts, Maharaja College Grounds, Ramaswamy Circle, Basaveshwara Circle to culminate at JSS Hospital.

In an effort to create public awareness among people about the importance of hearing, JSS Institute had conducted a flash mob at Mall of Mysore yesterday. Also, a live Radio Phone-in programme was held to address queries from the public related to speech and hearing disabilities.

Awareness Jatha by DDRC

District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC), Mysuru, in association with Women and Child Development Department, Government School for the Blind and Deaf and Dumb in Tilaknagar too had organised an Awareness Jatha on hearing disabilities this morning.

Women and Child Development Deputy Director Padma flagged off the event. Over 300 students of Blind School and Deaf and Dumb School and Department Staff participated in the Jatha which highlighted the importance of early detection of hearing impairment. District Welfare Officer for Disabled D.J. Mamatha, Child Development Project Officer Manjula Patil, Blind School Superintendent Satish, Deaf and Dumb School Superintendent Harish and others were present.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, DDRC Audiologist and Speech Therapist Irfana Husen said, "Among 21 types of disabilities, hearing impairment is one of the most common disability affecting all age groups. Hearing impairment, deafness or hearing loss refers to the total or partial inability to hear sounds. Symptoms may be mild, moderate, severe or profound. A person with mild to moderate hearing impairment may have problems in understanding speech, especially if there is a lot of noise around, while those with moderate to severe deafness may need a hearing aid. Some with severe to profound hearing loss rely on lip-reading and sign language to communicate with others."

"According to WHO (2018) data, the prevalence of hearing impairment in India is around 6.3%, which means 63 million people are suffering from significant auditory loss. The estimated prevalence of adult onset deafness in India is 7.6% and childhood onset deafness is 2%," she said.

Coronavirus scare: Airports on high alert across the State

Bengaluru, Mar. 3 - The Karnataka Health Department on Monday began the giant task of tracking and identifying all people who could have come in contact with the 24-year-old software engineer from Bengaluru who has tested positive for Covid-19 (coronavirus).

The affected person, now in Telangana, is said to be working with a city-based software company; he had travelled to Dubai for a company meeting and interacted with software engineers from Hong Kong there.

India on Monday reported two new cases of Covid-19, one from the national capital and the other from Telangana.

Telangana Health Minister Etela Rajender said that the software engineer returned to Bengaluru on Feb. 20 and attended work for a couple of days, before leaving for Hyderabad on Feb. 22. After suffering from cold and fever, the engineer availed treatment at Apollo Hospitals as an outpatient for over a week and was referred to the Government-run Gandhi Hospital on Sunday where the person was diagnosed as Covid-19-positive.

The Karnataka health officials, however, refused to divulge the name of the software company which the engineer works for, saying they want to avoid panic. "We are tracking and trying to get in touch with all those persons who have come in contact with the coronavirus-affected person as per protocol. We will keep them under observation and shift them to a quarantine facility if required," said Dr. B.G. Prakash Kumar, Joint Director, Monitoring Communicable Diseases in the State.

Meanwhile, State Health Minister B. Sriramulu, addressing media persons this afternoon said, 'We are fully prepared to handle any outbreak of the virus in the State. Isolation wards have been set up at district hospitals and the staff have been instructed accordingly."

Those coming into the State from foreign countries will be screened at the respective airports. Airports, across the State have put on high alert following the virus scare. Eight foreign nationals are being tested for coronavirus at Belagavi Airport. A high alert has also been issued in the coastal parts of Karnataka.

COVID-19 first originated in China and has since spread to more than 65 countries. According to a tally by news agency *Reuters*, there have been over 89,000 cases of the virus globally, the majority in China. The illness has killed more than 3,000 people as of Monday. Caused by a 'novel' form of coronavirus, there is no vaccine or treatment yet.

Earlier, three students had tested positive in Kerala and all were discharged after treatment.

Spectra: National Management, Cultural and IT Fest held

The students of Jain College, Bengaluru, who bagged Overall Championship at Spectra 2020 - National-level Management, IT and Cultural Fest, are seen receiving the trophy.

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Spectra 2020, a two-day National-level Management, IT and Cultural Fest, was organised at Hindustan First Grade College (HFGC) in city recently.

The Fest provided a platform to students from across the country to exhibit their managerial, IT and cultural talent by participating in various competitions crafted to showcase their skills and share their thoughts.

Spectra 2020 commenced with lighting the lamp by the guests Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, Vice-Chancellor (VC), University of Mysore (UoM), Dorai Thodla, Chief Technology Officer, iMorph Innovation Centre Pvt. Ltd., Chennai, Ashok Verghese, Director, Hindustan University, Chennai, K.S. Bharadwaj, Chief Flight Instructor, Orient Flights Aviation Academy, Mysuru, Abel Mathew Prasad, Special Officer, HFGC and Dr. C.J. Priya, Principal, HFGC.

The Fest was highlighted with their objectives and sound outcomes. The guests emphasised on the importance of such events in the competitive environment.

The class toppers and subject toppers were rewarded for their outstanding performance. The inaugural programme concluded with a thanking note by Eshwar, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce and Management, HFGC.

Spectra aimed to encompass everything from creativity to innovation, planning to strategy, fun to learning through various management activities and competitions. Eleven events were conducted during the Fest which includes Hackathon, Finance, Marketing, Best Manager, Human Resource, Treasure Hunt, Short Movie Contest, Music Band, Fashion Contest, Cultural Event and Photography.

Spectra 2020 witnessed 168 teams, comprising 572 participants from different colleges of Mysuru, Mandya, Bengaluru and Chennai.

The valedictory function was held on Feb.13 which also witnessed good participation.

The celebrities namely Arava Gowda, Anusha, Sindhu Lokanath, Vikas and Aryan, Special Officer Abel Mathew Prasad and Principal Dr. C.J. Priya were present.

The Overall Championship was bagged by Jain College, Bengaluru and Runners were JSS College, Mysuru.

The guests presented cash prizes to the winners and runners-up of all the 11 events and the certificates were also given to all the participants.

The team from JSS College, Mysuru, with runner's trophy of Spectra 2020.

Differently-abled students shine in singing and dance

*Prize winners are seen with (from left) **M. Prathima, College Faculty and Cultural Secretary; B. Elangovan, Principal and C. Kavya, in-charge HoD, E&C and Geetha, in-charge HoD, Computer Applications for the Visually Impaired.***

Mysuru, Mar. 3- The following students of JSS Polytechnic for the Differently Abled, Mysuru, have won prizes in various competitions conducted by various institutions in city recently:

H.N. Shalini (second prize) and **N. Jayasheela** (third) at the Inter-Polytechnic Bhavageete Competitions organised in memory of P. Muniyappa, conducted by CPC (Govt.) Polytechnic Alumni Association, Mysuru, recently.

H.N. Shalini (second prize) in Classical Singing contest; **H.N. Shalini & team** (third) in Group Song contest and **Rahul & team** (fourth) in Group Dance contest held as part of Suttur Jathra Mahotsava.

'Postal Camp' on Aadhaar Registration held

'Bank Account can be opened in minutes if one has Aadhaar card and cell phone'

Mysuru, Mar. 3- India Post Payment Bank, Mysuru Branch, Senior Manager Sudhakar said that one can easily open an account with the Bank within minutes if he/ she has Aadhaar Card and a cell phone.

He was speaking after inaugurating a five-day 'Postal Camp' on Aadhaar Registration and Corrections at Maharani College of Commerce and Management for Women on Valmiki Road, Paduvarahalli (Vinayakanagar), here recently.

Pointing out that Net Banking system is gaining popularity, Sudhakar said that a Bank account can be opened with a deposit of just Rs.100.

Noting that the Union Government with an objective of enabling every citizen to have a Bank account started the Bank account campaign in 2014, he regretted that the objective is yet to be reached as 20 crore population of the country is yet to have Bank account. Now the Bank has been working towards bringing every citizen under the Banking system, he added.

Mysuru West Postal Zone Assistant Superintendent H.J. Somaiah said that almost every village has a Post Office now and as such, bringing all villagers under the Banking system will become easier now.

Apart from carrying out cash transactions, having a Bank account will help in RTGS, Life Insurance Policy premium payments, Utilities Bill payments, mobile phone recharge etc., he pointed out.

College Principal Dr. G.H. Mahadevaswamy presided. College faculty Dr. Channabasavegowda, Somanna, Krishnamurthy and K.C. Somanna, NSS Officer Dr. K.E. Govindegowda, NCC Officer Dr. C.M. Shivakumar and others were present during the programme.

Life Science Exhibition held

Mysuru, Mar. 3- "In a developing country like India, science, technology and sustainable development assume great significance.

"The rural and urban girls should play a vital role in the development of nation after obtaining higher education in Science and Technology," observed Dr. Sudha, at the inauguration of the Life Science Exhibition conducted by Government Women's First Grade College, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, in city recently.

The event held as part of National Science Day, was jointly organised by Dr. C. Hemavathi, Head of the Department in Botany and Zoology and Dr. Shivaprasad, Head, Department of Chemistry, of the College.

The prog. provided a meaningful platform for the development of scientific temperament, creativity and talent of students.

College Principal Dr. Satish Babu, faculty members and students actively participated in the event.

State-level Para Games in city from Mar.5

Mysuru, Mar. 3- The State-level Para Games will be held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city from Mar. 5 to 8.

Around 2,000 para athletes and officials from different districts of Karnataka will be taking part in the Games.

Games like athletics, shooting, volleyball, basketball, power-lifting, badminton, table tennis, are some of the events which will take place along with many other disciplines.

Open and Inter-School Chess Tournament

Mysuru, Mar. 3- The Young India Sports Academy, Mysuru, will be conducting 'Open and Inter-School Chess Tournament' at Pragathi Elite Public School premises, CFTRI Layout, 2nd Stage, Bogadi, on Apr.5.

Entry fee is Rs.750 for Open category and Rs.500 for Age category. Events will be conducted for Open section in Below 1200 Rating, Below 1400 Rating and Below 1600 Rating.

Category prizes for boys and girls (5 trophies and 5 medals) will be given for U-9, U-11, U-13 and U-15 sections.

The Open category will have cash prizes from 1st to 20th place. Special cash prizes will be given for Best Veteran Male, Best Woman. Special prizes will be given for Best Youngest (boys & girl), Best Academic Prize and Best School Prize.

For Tournament queries and entries, contact Mob: 96207-04036 or 74113-38087.

KSCA League: Facile win for BEML Mysuru

Bengaluru, Mar. 3- Inspiring batting by P. Vishnu (76, 5x4,4x6) and left-handed opener B. Dheemanth (59, 7x4) and their valuable 95-run second wicket partnership helped BEML Ltd. Mysuru to register a 40-run win over Advocates Association, Bengaluru, in the KSCA Groip II, 2nd Division League match played at IISc Gymkhana Grounds here on Monday.

SCORES

BEML Ltd, Mysuru: 156/4 in 20 overs (P. Vishnu 76, B. Dheemanth 59, Gopi 2/39) bt **Advocates Association, Bengaluru:** 116/7 in 20 overs (Kumar 27, Afzal 23, C.G. Jagadeesh Kumar 2/21).

Medal-winners of Central Revenue Sports Meet

*The winners in the 400m race for 50+ men in the 52nd Central Revenue Sports Meet held at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Chennai yesterday — (from left - back row) **M. Yogendra, Superintendent of Central Tax & Customs - Silver Medal, Ramachandra - Gold Medal and Mahadeviah, Administrative officer, Income-Tax, Mysuru - Bronze Medal — are seen with the chief guests — Assistant Commissioners of Income Tax, Chennai. The winner and runner-up earn selection to represent Karnataka in the All India Revenue Sports Meet 2020 to be held at Kolkata in the last week of March.***

Winners of State-level Tennis

The students of Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering & Technology (VVIET), Mysuru, bagged winners trophy in the State-level Inter-Collegiate Women Tennis Championship 2020 organised at R.V. College of Engineering in Bengaluru recently. Seen are** (sitting from left) **PE Director K.B. Manjunath, VVIET Principal Dr. M. Ravishankar, tennis team captain Yashitha S. Nayaka, R. Shivani and D. Nishitha. A total of eight teams from State VTU Colleges participated in the Tournament.

Excel in All India Inter-Varsity Kickboxing Tournament

Kickboxer Suhas** (second from left) **is seen with UoM Department of Physical Education Director Dr. P. Krishnaiah, UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar and Coach Jashwanth.

U. Darshan

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Suhas of University of Mysore (UoM) has bagged Bronze Medal in Kick Boxing (Low Kick category) in the All India Inter-University Kick Boxing Tournament for men held at Jaunpur in Uttar Pradesh recently.

The tournament was hosted by Veer Bahadur Singh Purvanchal University, Jaunpur.

Suhas also won Silver Medal in Kick Light Category and Bronze medal in Light Contact category at the WAKO Indian Open International Kickboxing Championship held at Talkatora Indoor Stadium in New Delhi recently.

U. Darshan of Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering and Technology (VVIET), Mysuru, who represented Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) in the All India Inter-University Kick Boxing Tournament at Jaunpur in Uttar Pradesh, has also secured Bronze Medal.

Karatekas shine at State Meet

The karatekas of 'I Can The Learning Centre School' practicing International Mabuni Ha Shito Ryu Karate (Style Chief Sensei N.G. Sivadas) excelled at the State-level Karate Championship organised by IMSKA India on Feb.6 and 7 at University Gymnasium Hall in city. Seen are** (kneeling from left) **Ava - Kata gold, Kumite gold, Aaban - Kata bronze, Kumite gold, Isa - Kata bronze, Kumite bronze, Yudhir - Kata bronze, Ammaar - Kata gold, Aarush Mishra - Kata gold, Agastya - Kata bronze, Kashvi - Kata silver, Kumite bronze;** (standing from left) **Amith - Kata bronze, Kumite bronze, Ayush - Kata gold, Kumite silver, Sharun - Kata gold, Kumite silver, Coach Sensei Prajwal, School Director Astrid Sharon, Principal Arun Durairaj, Bilal - Kata silver, Sana - Kata silver, Kumite gold and Diya - Kata bronze.

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Pig menace near Apartment in Visweshwaranagar

Due to non-clearance of garbage, residents of Sirisinchana Apartment, Visweshwaranagar and others in the vicinity constantly face pig menace which come looking for food in these garbage dumped carelessly on the street, which remain uncleared for days. A number of complaints to the MCC authorities and the area Corporator have fallen on deaf ears. Hope the concerned authorities take notice of this issue and do the needful at the earliest?

Permanently parked car on footpath near Sharadadevinagar Circle

One of our SOM readers sent us this picture of a car parked permanently on the footpath of New Kantharaj Urs Road, near Sharadadevinagar Circle. Such illegal occupancy of footpath are aplenty on this section of the road, especially during evening hours, by pavement sellers, eateries and even shopkeepers. As far as the road itself, vehicles and pushcarts are parked haphazardly and dangerously on both sides, which take away more than half its width, leaving the rest for vehicular traffic and pedestrians. Neither the Traffic Police nor MCC authorities have bothered to look at the problems faced everyday by the public on this stretch of the arterial road. Can we hope something will be done now?, the reader asks.

City boy selected for National-level Science Expo

Mysuru, Mar.3- The Department of State Education Research and Training, Bengaluru, under the Ministry of Science and Technology, New Delhi, had conducted Inspire Award Manak (SLEPC-10) State-level Science Exhibition for Primary and High School students.

The exhibition was held on Feb. 14 and 15 at Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamsthana Mutt, Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District in which 810 schools participated and 71 got selected for National-level.

From Mysuru, **Musharraf Ahmed,** a student of CFTRI School, who prepared a working model of 'DORO - Defence Robot' which can be used in Defence Mechanism, has been selected to compete in the national level. He says these robots, at the borders, will protect our nation and prevent the tragic deaths of the Army personnel.

MCC's Apathy
Corporator turns Pourakarmika

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Upset over the shortage of Pourakarmikas in her Ward, a lady Corporator along with her husband and children donned the role of Pourakarmikas, collecting waste from households in her area on Sunday.

Shobha, Corporator of MCC Ward 61, along with her husband Sunil, a former Corporator and four children — Priyanka, Ashwini, Lakshmi and Madesh — went around major roads in the Ward area that covers most part of Vidyaranyapuram and collected waste from residents in a garbage cart.

The Corporator resorted to this act to register her protest against the MCC 's apathy in allocating the required number of Pourakarmikas in her Ward.

Claiming that her Ward is one of the biggest in the city, with a population of over 15,000 and 2,000 houses, Shobha said that out of the 24 Pourakarmikas sanctioned for the Ward, only 12 are found working. The Ward is facing acute shortage of civic workers and it has become difficult to maintain cleanliness and hygiene in the Ward, she maintained and urged the MCC Commissioner and the Mayor to immediately allot the required number of civic workers for her Ward.

Shobha's husband Sunil, a former Corporator himself, said that though the issue was brought to the notice of the Government and the Corporation several times,it has not been addressed and as such they were forced to don the role of Pourakarmikas themselves.

Responding to the matter, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde said that some Pourakarmikas working elsewhere will be allocated to Vidyaranyapuram soon.

Register Industry Patent: Former FKCCI Chairman

Sudhakar S. Shetty

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (RK&DM)- Former FKCCI(Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industry) immediate past President Sudhakar S. Shetty has asked entrepreneurs to register their Industry patent.

He was speaking at an awareness workshop on 'Intellectual Property Rights and GME (Government E-Market Place) Portal' jointly organised by the Union Ministry for MSME (Medium, Small and Micro Enterprises),MSME Development Institute, Bengaluru and Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry(MCCI) at a private Hotel here recently.

Stressing on the need for new entrepreneurs to register their Industry patent, Logo and Trademark, Sudhakar Shetty cautioned that, otherwise, there is every chance of misuse of logo and trademark by others.

Warning that others may gain from the hard earned name and fame of entrepreneurs who fail to get their patent, logo and trademark registered,he said that with online system of trading coming to the fore, there is every chance of misuse of creative ideas, logo and trademark.

As such, the entrepreneurs should always be watchful of their products and ensure that there is no mischief in the manufacture or marketing of their products.

MSME Director G. R. Akadas, Deputy Director M. Shashikumar, Intellectual Property Rights Head Prof. Ramakrishna, MCCI President A.S. Satish and others were present.

'Kannada theatre is a wonder'

Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa inaugurates three-day Theatre Festival 'Kadamba Rangotsava'

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (MK&SD)- "Kannada theatre itself is a wonder. It is on par with what we can find in world theatre. Recently held Bahuroopi Theatre Festival is an example for that," opined Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa. He was speaking after inaugurating 'Kadamba Rangotsava,' a three-day Theatre Festival, organised by the city's renowned theatre group 'Kadamba Rangavedike' in association with the Directorate of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru, at Kirurangamandira in Rangayana premises yesterday.

"Bahuroopi received overwhelming response from theatre buffs. Several great theatre personalities have worked hard in the past as a result of which Mysuru theatre tradition has reached this height today," he said.

Pointing out that Kodagu's most acclaimed poet Appacha Kavi was inspired by Mohammad Peer, a professional theatre artiste from Mysuru in those times, Cariappa recounted his association with the theatre for over three decades.

"Theatre has ability to inspire and change the society. As we have seen, theatre has put a revolution on the stage and changed the Governments. Plays like 'Malegalalli Madumagalu' and 'Mukhyamantri' have created all-time records in Kannada theatre," he said.

Kadamba Rangavedike President Rajashekar Kadamba, Theatre artiste Venkatesh Mariyammanahalli, Subba Narasimha and others were present.

Later, 'Anna Vali,' a social and mythological play based on the story of Vali and Sugriva of epic *Ramayana*, was staged by Udupi-based theatre troupe 'Snehajeevi.'

Excel in All India GK Exam

Students of Mahajana Public School, Jayalakshmipuram, have secured ranks in the All India General Knowledge (GK) Exam conducted by Centre for Human Resource Development (CHRD) in Dec. 2019. The rank holders — (standing from left) H.P. Surya Rangan (23rd Rank); S. Srikrishna (3rd Rank) and Layeeq Anwar (42nd Rank) — are seen with School Principal Rajeshwari Iyer and Quiz Coordinators and Teachers Durga Devi and R. Rajitha.

Orientation on Research Writing

Entries invited

Mysuru, Mar. 3- Three Mysuru-based organisations — Centre for Research in Rural and Tribal Development, Alumni Association of the Department of Sociology, University of Mysore (AADSUM) and Samruddhi Foundation — are jointly organising a one-day orientation programme on research writing in city Mar. 15 (Sunday) from 9.30 am to 5 pm at the Centre for Research in Rural and Tribal Development, # 403, Contour Road, Gokulam II Stage.

Teachers working in First Grade Colleges and University Departments and Research Scholars may participate in this programme, which includes lectures, dialogue and discussions on writing research proposals and preparing scripts for publication.

For details, contact Prof. Satyanarayana (94803-82564) or Prof. R. Nagaraju (94482-93998) or Prof. H.M. Vasanthamma (99012-20758).

Interested may also send details — name, institutional affiliation, contact phone number and address — via e-mail: *samruddhi.mysore@gmail.com*

Eid-e-Chishtiya celebrations

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (KS)- Eid-Chishtiya celebrations as part of Hazarath Imaam Ali birth anniversary and 808 Annual Sandal Urus Shariff of Hazarath Khwaja Gareeb-un-Nawaz, will be held tomorrow (Mar. 4) at 9 pm at Moula Hussain Masjid Circle at Satyanagar in city.

National scholar and Islamic cleric **Hazarath Moulana Mufti Mohammed Shafeeq-ul-Khadree Hanfi** *(in pic)*, President of All India Assembly Thafuz-Namus-Ahle-Bait-Athar, Maharashtra, will be the main speaker.

After the programme, dinner (Tabruk) has been arranged for the participants. For details, contact Mohammed Musheer on Mob: 77604-79514.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Obloquy

Pronunciation: AH-bluh-kwee.
Meaning: A strongly condemnatory utterance: abusive language; the condition of one that is discredited: bad repute.
Origin: English speakers can choose from several synonyms to name a tongue-lashing. Abuse is a good general term that usually stresses the anger of the speaker and the harshness of the language, as in "scathing verbal abuse." Obloquy, which comes from the Late Latin ob- (meaning "against") plus loquī (meaning "to speak"), suggests defamation and consequent shame and disgrace; a typical example of its use is "subjected to obloquy and derision."
Example: The manager walked quickly back to the dugout as insults and obloquy rained down from the stands.

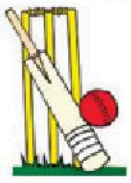
THE ODD WORD

Odontology

The scientific study of the structure and diseases of teeth.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Off his own bat



Meaning: By an individual's own efforts.
Origin & Example: One question that often gets asked about this figurative expression 'off his own bat' is "should that be 'off his own back"? 'Off your own back' originated as a mishearing of the former expression. It has gained sufficient currency to be considered as a viable everyday alternative of the correct version, but purists dismiss it as a straightforward error.
Bats come in many forms of course and, as is always the case with such words when they occur in phrases where the context clear, the meaning is open to fanciful interpretations. So, as with the yards in 'the whole nine yards', which are guessed to be any number of things, the 'bat' in 'off his own bat' has been said to be one of these: the flying mammal, a butter pat, a tool used in brickmaking etc, . In fact, the bat in question is a cricket bat and the first activity that was said to be done 'off someone's own bat' was to score runs. The first citation of 'off his own bat' in print comes from the pen of the celebrated cricket historian and statistician Henry Thomas Waghorn, in Cricket Scores, 1742: "The bets on the Slendon man's head that he got 40 notches off his own bat were lost."

QUOTE BOX

O, what a tangled web we weave, When first we practice to deceive.

—Sir Walter Scott

RIDDLE THIS

Which letter is like a ring around your finger?

Answer: The letter 'O'.

SUDOKU

			5				1	
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		5		2		4		
3	6							
1			7		9			8
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		1		4		9		
	3	8	6					
	7				5			

Answer to previous puzzle

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Information, in short?
4 Satellite Data Unit
7 Hip bones?
11 Another word for 'meadow'
12 Barking sound from a pup
13 Knob of root
14 Jet, Indigo, Go Air, etc
17 "Laughing Cavalier" painter
18 Preciseness
20 __Moses: famous US hurdler?
22 Svelte or slender
23 Feldspar for one, iron pyrites for another?
24 New Zealand South Island district
27 A large, Indian antelope
31 A period of immaturity?
33 An area of flat land
34 Got or came together
35 Nadal's nickname
37 Monks or abbots
39 Hill station in Tamil Nadu
42 Poker stake
43 Scorn; contempt
46 Oddball; an eccentric person
47 Caribou cousin
48 Natl Def Acad.
49 Female sheep
50 Gambler's haven ___ Vegas
51 Semi-solid colloidal solution or jelly

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

T	E	E	D	■	S	T	U	B	■	W	A	N
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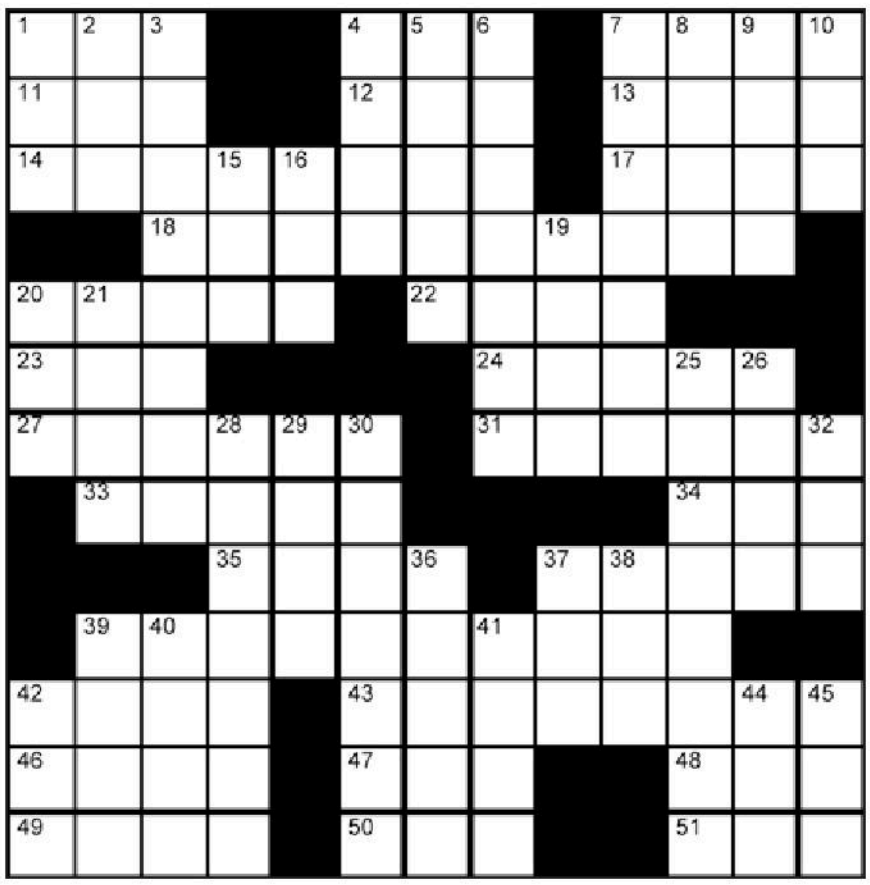
Down

1 ___ Arun : "Parde-ke-piche..." singer?
2 Indonesia's earlier name
3 Good-bye
4 Boy band 'N ___
5 Takes in a regulated and prescribed quantity of food
6 Greek character - "up in sol" anagram?
7 Unfeelingly cruel
8 Put cargo in a ship or a truck
9 Not working, lazy or indolent
10 Roman bronze - "sea" change?
15 61 in Roman numerals
16 Botham or Chappell of cricket
19 Former Yugoslav leader
20 A long time
21 Fall in drops
25 Taking a chance can be a vice!
26 Curved moulding
28 Eden _____ : famous cricket ground of Calcutta?
29 Amer Inst. of Aero. & Astro.
30 Unbeliever
32 Extra-terrestrials, abbr.
36 Cub Scout leader
37 Black bird
38 Art graduates, abbr.
39 Discern, be aware of
40 Siouan Indian
41 Noah used one of these
42 Brewed liquor
44 A kind of poem
45 ___ Sarovar : bird sanctuary in Gujarat?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JRFFPJJ GJ VIZP N ORCFXGIC IO FICJGJXPCX

FIVVIC JPCJP XBNC GX GJ IO MPCGRJ.

TODAY'S CLUE: J EQUALS S

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you are a dog and your owner suggests that you wear a sweater, suggest that he wear a tail.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Love Mocktail	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Mayabazar	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Ane Bala	Lido	2420885	1 Show
Bicchugatthi	Lido	2420885	3 Shows
	Sterling	*2481170*	4 Shows
Shiva	*Mahadeshwara*	*9986022634*	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	1 Show
Kaanadante Maayavadanu	Woodlands	2422871	3 Shows
Shivaji Surathkal	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Popcorn Monkey Tiger	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
3rd Class	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Asura Samhara	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
HINDI			
O Pushpa I Hate Tears	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Raahu	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Local Boy	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Srimathi 21F	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
Ala Vaikunthapurramloo	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows

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Thappad (H)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 4.15 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	7.05 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-1)	7.15 pm; (S-2) 4.30 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Bheeshma (Te)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Maya Kannadi (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
The Invisible Man (E)	(S-2)	7.20 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.40 am
Bhoot Part 1 (H)	(S-3)	10.45 am
Mayabazar (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm; (S-4) 4.25 pm
Bicchugatthi (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Hit (The First Case) (Te)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal (Ta)	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Trance (Ma)	(S-4)	9.50 pm

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Thappad (H)	(S-1)	10 am, 12.55 pm
		6.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
	(S-1)	4.00 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-3)	10.05 am
	(S-2)	12.35 pm, 3.40 pm
	(S-4)	6.40 pm
The Invisible Man (E)	(S-2)	10.00 am
	(S-3)	6.45 pm
Sonic The Hedgehog (E)	(S-4)	11.00 am, 4.10 pm
Mayabazar (K)	(S-3)	3.50 pm
	(S-2)	6.45 pm
Trance (Ma)	(S-3)	9.25 pm
Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal (Ta)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Hit (The First Case) (Te)	(S-2)	1.20 Pm, 9.40 pm

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Bicchugatthi (K)	9.30 am, 3.30 pm
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Thappad (H)	10.40 am, 1 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Mayabazar 2016 (K)	12.30 pm, 6.30 pm
Popcorn Monkey Tiger (K)	12.35 pm
Bheeshma (Te)	3.20 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	4.00 pm
Sonic The Hedgehog (E)	4.25 pm, 9.30 pm
Trance (Ma)	6.30 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	9.20 pm
Forensic (Ma)	10.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Actress Girija Lokesh regrets lack of encouragement for Kannada artistes

Mysuru, Mar. 3 (RK&DM)- Senior actress Girija Lokesh has regretted that Kannada artistes were not getting their due in their home State Karnataka.

She was speaking at the valedictory of the 20th anniversary of Lalitha Kala Sangha at Maharani's Science College here on Sunday last.

Noting that Kannadigas are large-hearted in encouraging outside artistes, she stressed on the need for promoting Kannadiga artistes who are no less talented than others.

Advising the youths to take up art as a passion only after securing their life, she suggested them to gain expertise in their chosen field.

Stating that she learned a lot from the theatre, Girija Lokesh, wife of late actor Lokesh, said that her father-in-law Subbaiah Naidu got his son Lokesh trained in Karnataka and this training pushed the entire family into the film world.

College Principal Prof. S.B. Shanthappanavar, Sangha Convenor T. Sheela Kumari, Prof. T.S. Venugopal, Roopashree and others were present.

Students seen performing at the valedictory of the 20th anniversary of Lalitha Kala Sangha at Maharani's Science College in city on Sunday.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR. 3)

JSS Urban Haat: Shahari Samruddhi Utsav, an exhibition-cum-sale to create a market platform and network for women SHG products, JSS Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, **up to 9 pm.**

Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal (KDGH) Music and Performing Arts University, Mysuru: Inauguration of 'Samskritika Kala Pratibhotsava,' National-level Inter-University Cultural Competitions and Festival commemorating 107th birth anniversary of Dr. Gangubai Hangal and the University's decennial celebrations, by Prof. N.R. Shetty, former VC, Bangalore University, University premises, **4.30 pm.**

University of Mysore and Sapna Book House: Book release — Dr. Suttur S. Malini's *Cancer - Bahu Vidhada Aswasthate* — by Mysore University Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Mysore University VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar presides, Vigyan Bhavan, Manasagangothri, **4.30 pm.**

Trained Nurses Association of India, Karnataka State Branch and Mysore Nursing Teachers and Nurses Association, Karnataka State Govt. Nurses Association, Mysuru Branch: 200th year birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale, Pramoda Devi Wadiyar chief guest, Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Digambar Jain Samaj and Padmashri Jain Mahila Samaj, Sankar Mutt: Palguna Masa - Nandishwara Ashtahnika Parva, S.B. Suresh Jain, President, Sri Shantinatha Seva Samiti Trust, inaugurates, M.R. Sunil Kumar, President, Sri Digambar Jain Samaj, Mysuru, presides, Latha Sudarshan, President, Padmashri Jain Mahila Samaj, Mysuru, chief guest, **6.45 pm;** Discourse by Dr. M.S. Padma, Professor of Jainology and Prakrit, Sri Shantishwaraswamy Basadi (Kote Basadi), New Sayyaji Rao Road, **7.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**

Kadamba Rangavedike, Mysuru: 'Kadamba Rangotsava,' Staging of play 'Door Number Eight' by Dhwaninaada Theatres (Directed by R.C. Dhananjaya), Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

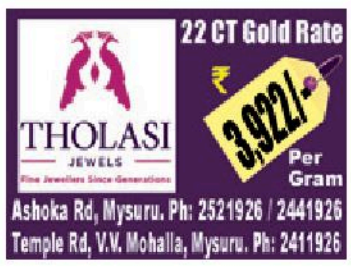
EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR. 4)

Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru Campus: Sathgamaya - State-level Multi-Fest, Voice to the Youth - 'Channelising Youth for Nation Building' by Dr. M.R. Seetharam, President, Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM), **9.30 am;** Valedictory, Natana School of Theatre Arts Mandya Ramesh chief guest, Amrita School of Arts and Sciences-Mysuru Principal Dr. Rekha Bhat presides, Amriteshwari Hall, **4.30 pm.**

JSS Urban Haat: Shahari Samruddhi Utsav, an exhibition-cum-sale to create a market platform and network for women SHG products, JSS Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, **10 am to 9 pm.**

Kadamba Rangavedike, Mysuru and Directorate of Kannada and Culture, Bengaluru: 'Kadamba Rangotsava,' Staging of play 'Kantu' by Samashti, a Bengaluru-based theatre group, (Directed by Manjunath Badigera), Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Sri Digambar Jain Samaj and Padmashri Jain Mahila Samaj, Sankar Mutt: Palguna Masa - Nandishwara Ashtahnika Parva, discourse by Dr. Jwala Suresh, retd. Professor of Jainology and Prakrit, Sri Shantishwaraswamy Basadi (Kote Basadi), New Sayyaji Rao Road, **7.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**



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